

**Drug Policy Advisory Council Meeting**  
**November 12, 2009**  
**Minutes**

**Voting Council Members Present:** Chairman Gary Kendell, Katrina Carter-Larsen, Cyndy Erickson, Chris Wilson, Brad Thompson for Kevin Frampton, Richard Doyle, Paul Stageberg, Kathy Stone, Eric Snyder via phone, Dave Lorenzen via phone, Dedrick Doolin for John Garringer, Jane Larkin, and Brian Vos

**Non-Voting Members Present:** Col. Michael Jensen, Bill Roach, Steve Arndt via phone, and Pat Reinert.

**Guests:** Syeta Glanton, IGOV; Rob Dillard, Iowa Public Radio

**Staff:** Dale Woolery, Becky Swift, Susie Sher, Becky Bell, and Dennis Wiggins.

**Welcome and introductions**

Chairman Kendell called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. Council members and guests introduced themselves.

The minutes of the August 13, 2009, meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted.

**ONDCP Visit**

Chairman Kendell provided an overview of the November 2 meetings with White House Office of National Drug Control Policy Director R. Gil Kerlikowske.

**Funding Update**

Chairman Kendell reported that like other state agencies ODCP received a 10% cut to its state appropriation. He provided a brief update on the status of the ARRA funding and federal funding for 2010 discretionary projects. He stated that 2011 federal funding for the Byrne/JAG program is on track to be level with 2010 funding. He shared that ODCP received funding to support an interdiction project, pseudoephedrine tracking, meth and other drug enforcement and promotion of ISAIC service. ODCP also received funding from the U.S. Department of Education for a grant to reduce or prevent underage drinking at institutions of higher education. ODCP will partner with AC4C to provide funds to support projects at 10 of the 15 Community Colleges in the state.

ODCP will be working on its funding requests for FFY 2011 over the next couple of months. Suggestions should be direct to Chairman Kendell.

**Drug Control Strategy**

The 2010 Drug Control Strategy was submitted to the Governor's Office as required by code on November 1, 2009. Council members were thanked for their input. Chairman Kendell asked that Council members review the information and provide feedback about the content to him. Susie Sher reported that the results and indicators section of the Strategy will be updated in 2010.

## **Prescription and OTC Drug Abuse**

ODCP staff provided an update on the “Take a Dose of Truth” prescription and OTC awareness project. The web site went live in August and to date has received over 1,000 hits. Chairman Kendell reported that the Department of Natural Resources is working with the Iowa Pharmacy Association on a “take away” project, which provides depositories in pharmacies for old or unwanted prescription drugs that are not controlled substances. Once the boxes are full, the pharmacies ship them to Texas for incineration.

## **Agency/Association Updates**

Paul Stageberg reported that their Annual Prison Population Forecast will be put on the CJJP website on November 13.

Cyndy Erickson said that the Department of Education is working on a National Governor’s Association grant targeting achieving graduation for all students.

Brad Thompson with the Iowa Division of Narcotics Enforcement reported that they are putting more emphasis on the prescription drug diversion.

Brian Vos stated that he will take over the Presidency of the Iowa Sheriff’s & Deputies Association in December.

Pat Reinert of the U.S. Attorney’s Office reported that they are working with DNE and State Patrol on interdictions.

Jane Larkin noted that AC4C is planning a youth day on the Hill February 22, 2010, which provides high school students a chance to speak to legislators about substance abuse issues and needs. She distributed Risky Business Conference cards.

Kathy Stone reported that the Public Health is working to help develop the youth advisory committee for Iowa Collaboration for Youth Development. Some of the disaster relief funding that the State of Iowa has received is coming to the Department of Public Health to provide prevention activities, focused outreach to people who dropped out of treatment or didn’t qualify and enhanced treatment services for substance abuse in communities affected by flooding.

Dave Lorenzen said that the Iowa Association of Chiefs of Police and Peace Officers is hosting its joint public safety legislation meeting at the Des Moines Police Department training center on December 5.

Becky Swift reported on behalf of Col. Jensen, who had to leave the meeting early, that the National Guard is looking for funding for their drug demand reduction unit to enhance and increase those services around the state. They are also working on a project to catalog prevention programs around the State.

Becky reported that the Underage Drinking Committee has been meeting. The Department of Public Health received funding from CSAP to develop an underage drinking awareness video, which is now available.

**2010 Meeting Dates**

DPAC 2010 meeting dates are:

Thursday, February 11	1:00 – 3:00 p.m. (at ODCP)
Thursday, May 13	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 12 (Retreat)	9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 18	1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

ODCP will be moving in the spring, so the regular meeting location will be changing. Members will be notified of the location in advance of each meeting.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 11, 2010, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at ODCP.

**Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Becky Bell